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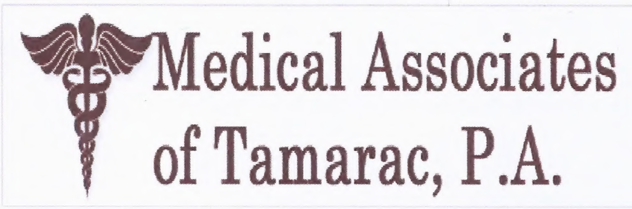
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MESSAGE FROM MILTON J. SAMUDA CHAIRMAN, WOLMER'S TRUST

July 12, 1997 was a very special day! On that day, grateful beneficiaries of the Wolmer's Tradition of Excellence, met and birthed the Wolmer's Alumni Association, South Florida Chapter (WAASF), "Dedicated to preserving the rich traditions of the Wolmer's School"!

Today, on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the founding of WAASF and in the 293rd year of the Wolmer's Schools, I greet you warmly, ever thankful to God for your work and service to our Schools. My greetings come to you, not only from my own heart, but also from the hearts of The Wolmer's Trust and on behalf of the entire Wolmer's Family.

As we celebrate your Association, its history and its outstanding contribution to our Schools, let us pause to truly appreciate what you have undertaken – the preservation of the rich traditions of the Wolmer's Schools. The preservation of anything of lasting value takes, at a minimum, determination and will. At a time when our most basic values are under siege and in which our teachers are called upon to be family counselors and surrogate parents, your mission is vital. Your determination and will, are vital.

It is not just about the money you generously raise for our Schools, the money you willingly give for scholarships, the money with which you bless needy students - as critically important as all that is. It is more about how you do what you do, why you do what you do, and the example that you set for those you serve. It is about the love, values and intent in which you gift-wrap the funds you send. It is about the quality of the time you spend doing the fundraising and the incalculable impact which that time has on the quality of life of a child who, in all likelihood, you will never see or meet. That is what preserves our "rich traditions"! And what are those traditions? Integrity, fidelity, loyalty, service, selflessness, generosity, duty, truth, justice, courage, a respect for work – all captured in, and essential to the longevity of our Tradition of Excellence!

My friends, in this our 293rd year, as we celebrate with you your Silver Jubilee, we give God thanks for our rich, Wolmer's traditions, which have guided and sustained us these many years. We give God thanks for you, guardians and exemplars of those rich traditions, preserving them as an integral part of the Wolmer's Legacy. We give Him the honour and glory for the good work which our Schools have done in this small part of the vineyard of His creation.

As we mark, for WAASF, 25 of the 293 years of service, we recommit to the vision and promise of Wolmer's, to our unmatched Tradition of Excellence, to our gift of rich traditions to a generation in danger of losing its moorings. We look towards a bright future, unphased by the dark clouds which, at present, surround us. We know from whence cometh our help and so we press on, arms locked together, fixed in our resolve continuously to harness our rich traditions as we fulfill our commitment to make Wolmer's, from now, "the first school of the 23rd century"!

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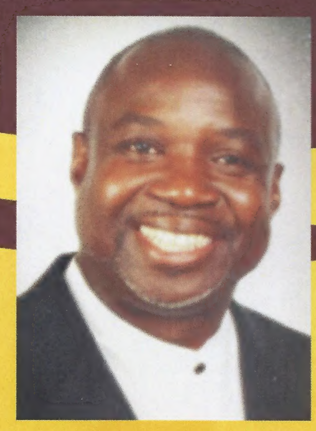
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President's Message

As I complete my year serving as President of the Wolmer's Alumni Association of South Florida, I would like to reflect on all that we have accomplished together. We continue to do what we have done for the past 25 years, to support the needs of our beloved Wolmer's schools and the South Florida community.

COVID-19 Response

My year as President has been one for the history books. Driven by COVID-19, we were forced to adapt and be innovative in how we see and do things. We met each challenge head on and viewed them as opportunities. The pandemic created many challenges, including disruption of our schools and global food insecurity.

The move from in-person classes to online learning created an issue for students who did not have access to a computer and we were made aware of the urgent need for more laptops and tablets. In partnership with STEM Train and donation for our membership, we sent 40 laptops and tablets to the school, 12 of which were donated by STEM.

COVID-19 triggered world-wide food insecurity that heavily impacted our Wolmer's Family in Jamaica. We established the COVID Fund to support a "Quarterly Food Distribution Program," providing groceries for 40 Wolmer's students and their families.

Other Giving

In addition to COVID relief, we continued our annual support.

Due to the generosity of our members:

1. Hi-Lo grocery vouchers for Christmas of $5,000.00 were distributed to 25 girls and 25 boys.
2. Annual Scholarships were awarded to five (5) students giving them the opportunity to attend universities. We added two (2) new scholarships that will be awarded annually to students attending Trade /Vocational schools.

We were fortunate to receive a donation of $10,000 from Mrs. Helen Robinson, the aunt of Wolmerian, Hugh Fisher. We are truly grateful. As a result of this generous gift, at her request, we awarded 4 scholarships and earmarked funds for infrastructure, gym equipment, the music department, at both the Girls' School and the Boys' School.

Individual members of our Alumni Association continue to provide monthly financial support/scholarships for the 2021-2022 school year. Currently, there are 18 girls and 5 boys benefitting from this program.

Community Outreach in our local Community

We continued our partnership with LifeNet4Families, supporting their Thanksgiving Feeding Program. Members helped to prepare and distribute over 200 food packages, and donated toiletries, men's clothing and $250.00 to the Center's general fund.

Members attended Easter service at the Metropolitan Baptist Church and donated 10 Easter Baskets of groceries to be distributed to families in need.

No Wolmerian Walks Alone

We were called to action when one of our brothers, David Stimpson, was injured in an unfortunate incident. We answered the call by working with the Wolmer's Trust, David's family, other alumni associations from the U.S. Canada, and Jamaica to raise funds for David's his medical expense.

Special Thanks

A big Thank You goes to the Executive Board, Andrew Samuels, Donna Lee, Cleo Mills, Dianne Houston, Antoinette Rhoden, Dionne Bryan, and our IPP Justin Peart for their support this year.

I also want to send a big Thank You to our partners, the Wolmer's Trust, Courtney Wynter, Mrs. Colleen Montague, and Mr. Pennycook for your support and leadership.

My ask of the Wolmer's Family is to please get involved, and to the younger generations of Wolmerians, we need your time, talent, and resources. The future of all the Alumni Associations and indeed of our Beloved Wolmer's School is in your hands.

Age Quod Agis,
Marlene Maragh Williams



WOLMER'S GIRLS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

COLLEEN MONTAGUE

The academic years 2020-2022 represented an interesting and extraordinary two years for the school. Covid-19 impacted our schedule in a significant way. Organizationally, we are certain of renewal, and schoolwide we have implemented processes that support instruction in the virtual classroom. That support is in the form of increased professional development and added human resource, Financially, we are in good standing despite budget cuts prior to the beginning of the school year. These are indicators of stability and progression. We resumed full face-to-face classes for all students on February 14, 2022.

ACADEMICS

Since resumption, our primary focus has been on pursuing academic excellence through the systems we have implemented to support student achievement. Diagnostic tests were administered by the Ministry of Education to measure the progress of students during the Summer Term 2020-2021. The results indicated that 95% of our students were performing at an acceptable standard.

Our upper school students continue to excel in the external examinations, our students placed amongst the top 10 and top 100 in the 2021 Regional and Territory CXC CSEC/CAPE examinations as well as over 200 placements across several subjects. It is amazing that through the uncertainty of the school year, the girls were able to sit the examinations and excel in their subjects, for this, we congratulate them.

TECHNOLOGY

The upgrade of the internet system is proceeding smoothly and is due to be completed by the end of the school year. There is a consistent 200-250 mgs. All classrooms have been outfitted with access points and all rooms have been equipped with a projector or smart TV and speakers to facilitate the integration of technology in the classroom.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Our students continue to participate and excel in co-curricular activities. All clubs and societies were active during online classes and have since resumed F2F meetings.

My sincere gratitude goes out to the South Florida Chapter for your continued support especially during the challenging time of Covid-19. Your numerous donations contributed greatly to the welfare of our students and for that we remain grateful. Your generosity knows no bounds. You have been with us through the good times and made your presence felt during the hard years of this COVID 19 pandemic. I wish you God's blessings, peace and good fortune in abundance.

Age Quod Agis



WOLMER'S BOYS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

DWIGHT PENNYCOOKE

In 2022, we honor the bequest that gave rise to the Legacy of Excellence that is the Wolmer's Schools. In the 293 years of existence, the Wolmer's institution has been responsible for the production of individuals who have made stellar contributions to the quality of the human journey. Their footsteps have been followed in the porticos of medicine and the Arts; their expressions heard in the hallways of academia and Law; and their decisions felt in boardrooms and the marketplace. They have walked with the lowly and with the great, and have etched their influence upon villages and communities, locally and abroad. Wherever they have trod, the seeds of excellence have been sown and a mighty harvest now abounds.

"Our school we all love dearly, we think it is the best...."
We salute all those who served as Trustees, members of the Board of Management, senior leaders, teachers and supports staff at different points throughout the history of the Wolmer's Schools. Their guardianship of the high standards has been without compromise. Our Alumnae and Parents have also been a constant source of succor. To all these individuals and groups, we owe a debt of gratitude. The realization of such sustained success would not have been possible without their yeoman's service and their willingness to pour their hearts into the lives of the many young men and women who have been privileged to walk these hallowed halls. They gave, and continue to give, of themselves tirelessly and sacrifice much in order that many now have abundant life.

The current administration, in concert with the Board of Governors, has pledged its commitment to the protection of the gains that they have made. Toward that end, three sets of broad priorities are being pursued via. human development; programme development; and facilities development.
Under the aegis of the Human Development priority, we are focused on:

- welfare support for students;
- capacity-building for the Senior Management Team;
- capacity-building for Middle Leadership;
- client experience training for all staff; and
- blended learning support for students and staff.

With respect to our Programme Development priority, we are giving attention to:

- additional exam pathways for our students;
- a sharp career development focus;
- WBS Student Success Metrics;
- sports development; and
- implementing our enhanced progress report and transcript.

As we seek to provide world-class facilities to further enhance our students' learning and achievement, our sights are set on four major projects:

- renovation of our playfield;
- expansion and equipping of our gymnasium;
- establishing the Wolmer's Museum and Archives; and
- the beautification of the WBS campus.

We have done well for 293 years; our pledge will always be to protect and beyond that, to protect, this Legacy. Age Quod Agis.

Dwight Pennycooke
Principal
Wolmer's Boys' School



THE WOLMER'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL





I am honoured to extend greetings and congratulations on behalf of the Board of Directors, Management Team, Scholars, and Parents of Wolmer's Preparatory School. To dedicate 25 years to any cause is no easy feat, yet it is one that you, the Wolmer's Alumni Association Incorporated of South Florida, have managed to execute unwaveringly.

Over the past 80 years, Wolmer's Preparatory School has endeavoured to encapsulate the mission, vision and aim of the Wolmer's schools and this constant effort, is reflected in all we do. We have continuously strived to strengthen the quality of teaching and learning in an effort to not only provide state of the art instruction for our scholars but stay ahead of our competitors. This approach along with the continued support of our internal and external stakeholders, have not only heightened our academic prowess but also cemented our place as a forerunner in the arts, sports and more recently technology.

The contribution of the Wolmer's Alumni Association Incorporated of South Florida to the positive development of our scholars must not go unrecognized. Thanks to our stakeholders, administration, and your support, we are establishing ourselves as one of the premier technologically advanced early childhood and primary level institutions in Jamaica. Our efforts have led to not only the establishment of a S.T.E.M Club but also, having S.T.E.M. as a subject for all grades at the primary level. Additionally, our scholars are now exposed to coding which we wish to expand in the near future to include robotics.

Notwithstanding the drive to enhance all aspects of our operations technologically, our moral codes continue to remain intact as we continue to nurture young Wolmerians. We are indeed grateful for your support as it has advanced our ability to succeed in fostering a holistic environment for our scholars. Not only can we highlight our academic accomplishments, but we can also proudly showcase our dedication to success in the arts and sports. As we continue to journey on using our philosophy as our guide, we look forward to achieving more goals with your continued support of our noble institution.

Happy 25th Anniversary from the Wolmer's Preparatory Family!

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Ms. Kemar Christie
Principal
Wolmer's Preparatory School



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CONSULATE GENERAL OF JAMAICA, MIAMI

MESSAGE TO WOLMER'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

On behalf of the Consulate-General of Jamaica, it is my distinct pleasure to convey greetings to the members and friends of the South Florida Chapter of the Wolmer's Alumni Association, Inc., as you gather to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of your Association. This year is even more special as Jamaica celebrates its 60th Anniversary of Independence.

As a committed team of volunteers, you must be commended as you remain constant in your mission, contributing generously to education and the development of your alma mater, even as we overcome the immediate challenges of the pandemic.

Today, Wolmer's, undoubtedly is one of the oldest and most prestigious educational institutions in the Caribbean. As a proud graduate, I fondly remember my interaction with both students and teachers who have become lifelong friends. I also use this opportunity to express my appreciation to Wolmer's Alumni for your continued support during my tenure as Consul General.

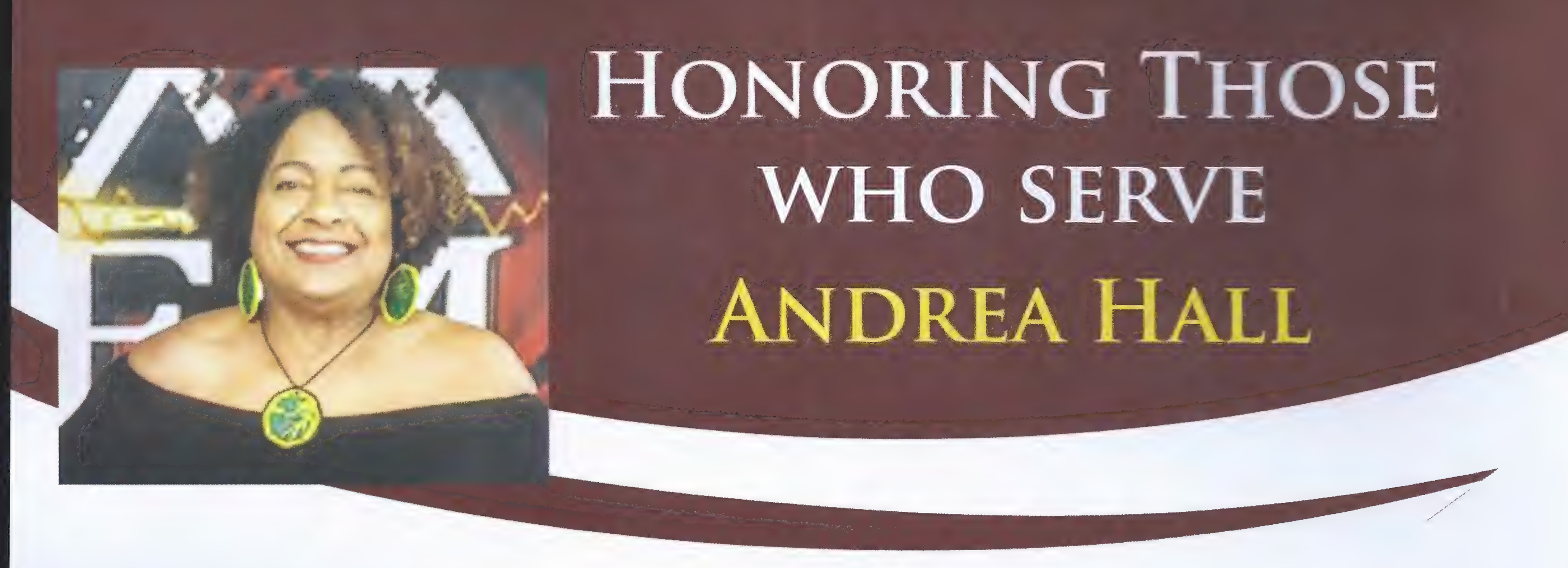
This institution has continued to produce men and women of distinction who continue to make their mark at various levels as musicians, academicians, sportsmen and women, and corporate leaders both in Jamaica and in the Diaspora. Special commendation must go to those in the Diaspora whose charitable and voluntary efforts represent a great resource to Jamaica's national development. Tonight, you must celebrate your accomplishments. For those who have not yet done so, please use this opportunity to like our social media platforms at Consulate General of Jamaica, Miami, to keep abreast of the current updates especially for Jamaica 60th. I also use this shameless plug for my page for some of these updates.

As you celebrate the anniversary of the South Florida chapter, and that of your Alma Mater's 293rd Year of notable existence, I wish for you an enjoyable and successful Fundraising Gala, and God's blessings for an evening of camaraderie and pleasant memories.

Congratulations to you all!

R. Oliver Mair
Consul General
Southern USA, Cayman Islands, Turks & Caicos Islands





Honoring Those Who Serve

Andrea Hall

Hailing from Kingston and past student of Wolmer's Girls High School in Jamaica, Andrea Hall spent her early years between the Caribbean Island nation and Brooklyn, New York before moving south to settle in South Florida.

Her passion for travel ended up being her career, a position she has held for over 25 years. From Alken Tours for 10 years to American Express Centurion for 15 years ending in 2021, to her own entrepreneurial endeavors with Fandanglesboutique.com, which include hosting Monthly Sip & Shops to sell and promote clothing and accessories, Andy's FUN Punch her Mother Sylvia's Recipe and Sundown Promotions a group of friends from Trinidad, Barbados and Jamaica who love to party. Most recently appointed as a board member to Jamaican Women of Florida (JWOF), Andrea's career has incorporated that love for travel with fashion and culture wrapped around it.

In 1986, while pregnant with her first child, Andrea learned that she carried the Sickle Cell trait, and the baby would have both genes which means full-blown sickle cell disease. Faced with the decision of giving birth to a child who doctors warned would not live past the age of 13, Andrea chose life and gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. Despite the odds, her daughter Shakira Martin lived her life to the fullest, accomplishing one goal of being crowned Miss Jamaica Universe 2011 and succeeded in being a beacon of hope for others in her shoes and using her story to form her own foundation in support of those like her.

Andrea's life mission was clear as she became an advocate for the Sickle Cell Foundation with her daughter leading the way! They spearheaded toy drives for children in the Sickle Cell units of Jamaican hospitals and Shakira went on to educate the world through her Miss Jamaica Universe platform. In memory of her daughter, who sadly passed away in August 2016, Andrea's mission is to continue Shakira's legacy and represent the essence of her dreams to be a light to those living with Sickle Cell disease.

Shak's Hope Foundation is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization whose mission is to promote education and awareness, while providing services to improve the quality of life for those living with Sickle Cell Anemia throughout South Florida, Jamaica and across the world. Andrea is now the Executive Director of Shak's Hope Sickle Cell Foundation, with her son Kishi, husband Paul, and other dedicated board members serving on the board.

Shak's Warriors, as they are called, are committed to making a difference in the lives of those living, not dying, with Sickle Cell. Awareness is key, education is a must. Please visit www.shakshope.com to find out more about Sickle Cell Anemia and how you can get involved.





Denise D. Grant
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WOLMERIANS ANSWER THE CALL

WOLMERIANS IN HEART & SPIRIT • BY DAVID KNIGHT

Friendship simply defines relationships we have with our chosen family. Friends are the brothers and sisters we never had, but who are by our side through life's ups and downs. Friendships appear in many forms as life leads us down different paths. It is said that finding a true friend is a blessing and friends are indeed gifts. Sometimes friends are closer than family. Friendship may embody all of the things mentioned above, or it might make you think of the ones closest to your heart. Whatever the case may be, it's always nice to be reminded of the friends in our lives.

On December 21, 2021, Wolmerian David 'Stimo' Stimpson was viciously stabbed at his workplace, the Institute of Jamaica. This unprovoked attack left Stimo, an outstanding sportsman who had represented Wolmer's at the highest levels in football, cricket and hockey, with limited movement and use of his limbs.



Without hesitation, Wolmerians stepped up to the plate and came to his rescue. Not willing to stand by and wait to see what his government employer would do, a group of Stimo's loyal friends sprang into action. The charge was led by David Knight and Gavin Wellington.

They reseached avenues that would best give back Stimo some mobility. The news went out and Wolmerians worldwide, family and friends answered the charge. Wolmerians in Jamaica worked on making his home more adaptable to his suddenly limited capacity. Wolmerians in the US supported his rehabilitation and care.

In collaboration with David Stimpson's family, it was determined that David would best receive needed help at a rehabilitation center in Jacksonville, Florida. On his family's arrival to Jacksonville, they were met by Wolmerian Dr. Peter McIntosh and his wife Denise, who provided support for Stimo and family throughout their entire stay. David Knight, Colin Lowe, Lincoln Stupart, and other members of the Wolmer's family traveled from various parts of the US to be with Stimo, providing his wife Sharon with a much needed break.

Albert Schwitzer said, "In everyone's life at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being. We all should be thankful for those people who kindle the inner spirit". Stimo must have felt that way, but thanks to David, Gavin and all the fellow Wolmerians and friends, that flame was rekindled, giving him some hope.

David 'Stimo' Stimpson has stated that he is thankful to his friends and sponsors for their prayers and support. An old Irish Proverb says, "A good friend is like a four-leaf clover, hard to find and lucky to have."

The Wolmer's family has come together and demonstrated that together we can amplify that four-leaf clover in Stimo's life, and also in the lives of our Wolmerian sisters and brothers facing various challenges, exemplifying our motto "Age Quod Agis". May you never walk alone.



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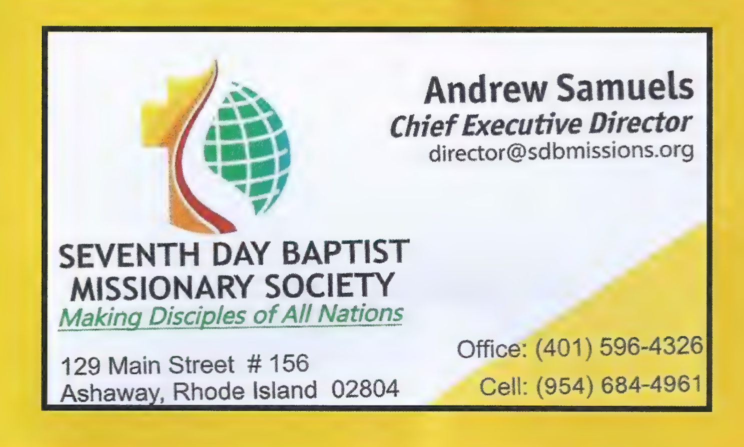


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South Florida Chapter



Being the oldest school in the West Indies, having been founded on May 21,1729. I would like to say congratulations to the school and a respected organization. Success is a destination, where you reach climbing through the stair of failure. Keep on showing your worth to the World, I say well done!!

I am Mayor Hazelle Rogers, the mayor of the We Care City of Lauderdale Lakes.

On August 23/2023, I will be running for Broward County Commissioner District 9. I have the experience you can count on!!

Menu

Freshly Baked Dinner Rolls with Sweet Creamy Butter

Salad

Seasonal Greens w/Tomato-Cucumber-Carrots
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Dual Entrée

Jerk Chicken Breast
Honey Glazed Salmon Medallion
Served with Caribbean Rice & Peas
Seasonal Fresh Vegetables

Dessert

New York Style Cheesecake w/Strawberries
Coffee | Decaffeinated Coffee | Tea | Non-Alcoholic Drinks

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25 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE TO SOUTH FLORIDA & THE WOLMER'S SCHOOLS



Wolmer's Alumni Association, the South Florida Chapter became a reality in the year 1997. It was established by Dianna Moo Young and Rupert Rhodd. The Wolmer's South Florida Alumni Association, South Florida, Inc became the first Alumni Association in Florida to receive their 501(c)3 status. The Association in celebrating its 25th Anniversary, is committed to preserving the rich traditions of the Wolmer's Schools. The Alumni members saw the benefits of coming together to help the Wolmer's Schools and have remained committed and dedicated to the task. We live by our motto "AGE QUOD AGIS" and are thankful to everyone who has been a part of this fabulous journey for the past 25 years.

It has always been the passion of Wolmerians in South Florida to help their alma mater. Thanks to this group of past students from Wolmer's Girls School who had "actively" sown the seeds to plant a chapter in South Florida. Individuals from this original group are still serving, and this Association owes them a great deal, for not only your "habit" of steadfastness in serving, but for the outstanding example of selfless giving.

Wolmer's Alumni Association, South Florida Chapter has faithfully served the community through voluntary work and financial contributions; and without a doubt, members have contributed their time, shared their financial resources, and have served in various capacities to generate funds through events like this gala, banquets and telethons. Thanks to their generosity they have helped educate and train tomorrow's leaders. Having benefitted immensely from our years at Wolmer's Schools, forming this association was a legacy we wanted to leave behind and an effective way to help maintain the rich tradition of education. This is needed more than ever today as the demand for education in Jamaica has outgrown the limited supply of resources. Furthermore, with society changing at such a rapid pace, more assistance is needed from alumni associations like ours for the ongoing development of the young people of Jamaica.

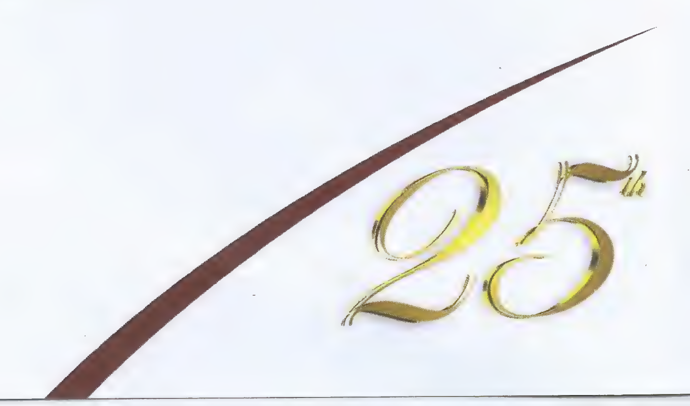
The accomplishments of the organization have grown steadily over the years and include, but are not limited to:

- An annual donation of scholarship funds to both Wolmer's Girls', Wolmer's Boys' and Wolmer's Preparatory Schools
- Financial assistance to Wolmerians attending college in the USA, Jamaica, and Canada
- Quarterly food packages to needy students
- Financial support to students competing in sporting events
- Special contributions for physical infrastructure at Wolmer's Schools (upgrading the internet availability to the school, replacing tennis courts, etc)
- Annual outreach services to the local communities in South Florida (Thanksgiving dinners and Easter food baskets)
- Sponsorship of back to school and community health fairs

The Covid-19 pandemic has made the past two years very challenging, and we have had to step up to the plate and help the schools transition to online learning.

The accomplishments above have been achieved with the help of Wolmerians living in Florida and elsewhere, and to name a few; Lloyd Carney - California, Christopher Parker - Georgia, Hubert Guscott - New York, and Kevin Reid - Maryland. Over the years, Rupert Rhodd, Diana Moo Young, Erica Samuels, Charles Patterson, Andre Gray, Kidson Barnes, Richard Williams, Karen McCallum, Justin Peart and Marlene Williams have all served as Presidents and helped to guide this Association to this very memorable milestone. The members of the Board, advertisers, friends, and other alumni associations have always supported the Wolmer's Schools, and to everyone we are eternally grateful. Together we have broken many new grounds, taken on some big challenges and certainly exceeded our wildest expectations. Wolmerians living in a free society, it is our "responsibility" to make this world a better place, by continuing to contribute to our alma mater and the community. We take this opportunity to say "KUDOS"!

AGE QUOD AGIS



Wolmer's Alumni Association
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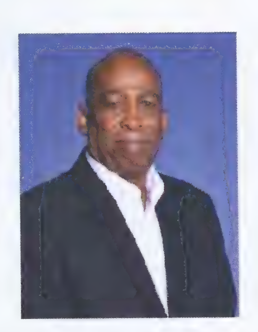
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Message from the Coalition of Jamaican Alumni Associations of Florida



Congratulations to the South Florida Chapter of Wolmer's Alumni Association on the celebration of its twenty-fifth year of existence. This is truly a remarkable achievement, and the Coalition of Jamaican Alumni Associations of Florida commends the chapter on twenty-five years of commitment to education in Jamaica and helping the communities of Florida.



Time passes quickly when you are doing something you love; time flies when dedicated members of an organization are focused on achieving the goals and objectives of the organization; and time flies when members of an organization share the vision and responsibilities of the organization.

For the South Florida Chapter of Wolmer's Alumni Association, twenty-five years of existence have gone by in a flash because of your love for Wolmer's Schools, Florida, and Jamaica. You have persisted through twenty-five years because of the above, but more-so because of your members' commitment and care for mankind. Your twenty-five years of selfless giving to help others is truly an incredible and inspiring accomplishment, and you should be proud!

We have been privileged to be a part of your history and we are grateful for the opportunity to advertise your events in the newsletter and on the website. You have shared your projects with other groups and have also served as an example for others to follow. These are truly invaluable lessons for which the Jamaican alumni community is grateful. Thanks also for the priceless lessons of community love, and togetherness.

As Wolmerians, you live by the motto of your beloved alma mater that encourages you to concentrate on the task at hand, to give it your best, and to stick with it no matter what. Because of this we know that the South Florida Chapter of Wolmer's Alumni Association will continue to excel in the future. You will continue to be a catalyst for change in this community, Wolmer's schools, and Jamaica.

We urge you to stay focused as you look forward to another twenty-five years of dedication and service to Wolmer's Schools and the community. We are proud of your accomplishments.

Age Quod Agis!

Rupert Rhodd PhD & Sandra Schrouder PhD (Co-Chairs)



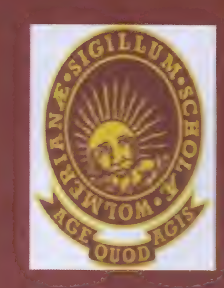
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"As we celebrate our 25th Anniversary 2022, while helping to shape young minds, contributing to the enhancement and improvement of our beloved alma mater, the Wolmer's Schools"

- Richard G. Williams





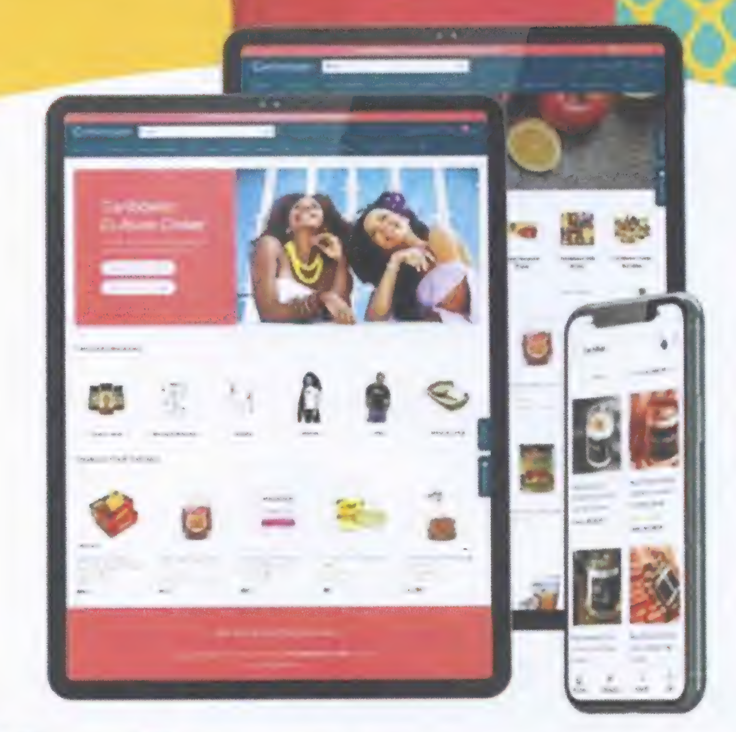
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Congratulatory Message



Congratulations to the Wolmer's Alumni Association of South Florida (WAASF) on reaching this remarkable milestone, to celebrate 25 years! I feel blessed to be a member of this prestigious organization, serving alongside founding members and recent graduates. This is where we can come together to reconnect with old friends, make new friends, celebrate successes, remain current on activities at the Wolmer's schools today and support our alma mater.



Thanks to the Trust, faculty, staff, fellow Wolmer's alumni, families, and friends for sustaining the vision of John Wolmer, since May 21, 1979. The many achievements of our collaborative efforts over the past decades, are a testament to how access, affordability and resources can cause life-changing ripples. Our unwavering pledged involvement, along with the relentless devotion to fundraising endeavors, such as "No Wolmerian Walks Alone," will continuously reproduce stalwarts and extraordinary leaders.

"AGE QUOD AGIS" – whatever you do, do it to the best of your abilities! From its inception and even through the COVID-19 pandemic, the Wolmer's schools have demonstrated that they teach and epitomize excellence. This has motivated our spirits and kept alive the words of the school song that still echoes in the hallways today… "the rising sun our target, our standards must not fall!"

A round of applause to the WAASF Executive Board and the 25th Anniversary Gala Planning Committee. As we strive to maintain excellence may the alumni association grow to be bigger and better. We are willing Past Wolmerians working worthy wonders with our time, talents, and treasures. Let us continue to support and preserve the rich Wolmer's tradition by pulling together, for a positive impact tomorrow. May the maroon and gold flag continue to proudly fly, as we steadfastly improve the lives of the next generation of students, while we stay stronger together, leaving a legacy forever.

I wish for all an enjoyable evening at this 25th Anniversary Gala and pray for the continued success of the Wolmer's Alumni Association of South Florida...another 25 years, and beyond!

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Scholarship Guidelines 25th

Wolmer's Alumni Association
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Introduction

Over the period of its existence, the Wolmer's Alumni Association, South Florida Chapter (hereafter referred to as "the Association") has awarded scholarships to students attending Wolmer's Trust High Schools, and also to past students of Wolmer's Schools attending tertiary and vocational institutions. These scholarships have been funded from the Association's general fund and contributions made by members of the association that are earmarked for scholarships. In addition to our Association's scholarships, individuals may also establish personal scholarships and set their criteria. For students at Wolmer's High Schools, the awards usually cover tuition, and for students attending tertiary or vocational institutions, the awards cover books and other discretionary expenses.

Eligibility Criteria and Awarding Procedures:

1. The Scholarships are awarded based on "financial need" and "scholastic ability".
2. Only students currently attending Wolmer's Boys and Girls Schools, and former students of Wolmer's that are attending tertiary institutions are eligible.
3. For scholarships given by individual members of the association, the members reserve the right to specify other criteria for selection, including but not limited to, area of study, gender, and grade level.

Students currently attending Wolmer's Schools:

a. For students that are currently attending Wolmer's Schools the guidance counselors in collaboration with the principals of the schools should identify the potential students and forward their names to the Association.

b. At Wolmer's High Schools, only students that are registered in grades seven through eleven are eligible to receive awards from the Association.

c. Scholarships will not be given to students that are failing, and the principals must submit the report cards from the previous year for those students selected to receive awards.

d. Scholarships are awarded at the beginning of the school year for a period of one year, and may be renewed if the student successfully completes the current grade. This will be determined by the principals.

Students Attending Tertiary Institutions:

a. Only students that are enrolled in undergraduate programs on a full-time basis are eligible.

b. Applications may be obtained online from the Association's website scholarship link. Final decisions regarding the awards will be made by the Scholarship Committee.

c. Along with the application, the student must submit a copy of his/her most recent transcript. Scholarships will not be given to students that are failing.

d. Awards are given for one year only and the student has the option to apply again in following years.

e. All scholarships are paid directly to the student's tertiary institution.

Students Attending Vocational Institutions:

a. Only students that are enrolled on a full-time basis are eligible.

b. Applications may be obtained online from the Association's website scholarship link. Final decisions regarding the awards will be made by the Scholarship Committee.

c. Along with the application, the student must submit a copy of his/her most recent transcript. Scholarships will not be given to students that are failing.

d. Awards are given for one year only.

e. All scholarships are paid directly to the student's vocational institution.

Scholarship Committee Members

Dr. Rupert Rhodd, Dr. Justin Peart and Dr. Sandra Schouder



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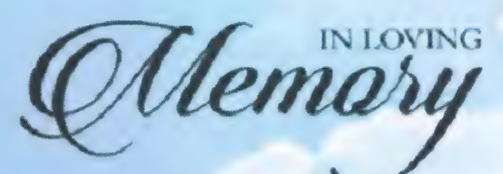
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"No Wolmerian Walks Alone" (NWWA) is a special needs fundraising project that was implemented to help our needy and under-privileged students at the Wolmer's schools on an annual basis. The NWWA creates a lifeline for students to discreetly obtain uniforms, lunch money and bus fare to attend school.

Feedback from the guidance counselors and parents in Jamaica, shows that it costs approximately US$600 per year to outfit a student, provide lunch money, bus fares (depending on where the student lives) and in some cases, fees for exams. Students are able, with authorization, to go directly to a specific manufacturer and be fitted for uniforms. Submission of an invoice results in the manufacturer being paid. It is our desire to assist any needy student with enough uniforms for at least one school year. Lunch money and bus fares are disbursed by the bursar after verification that the student is attending school regularly.

This project is funded by donations and pledges recieved each year from generous individuals. For more information or donations, please visit our website at www.wolmersouthfla.org, or call (954) 292-8034. Thanks for your support. Age Quod Agis!





Sgt. Cherissa N. Cunningham

You loved Life and never waited for the storm to pass
You were strong when you were weak and brave when you were scared
You danced in the rain and soared high like a beautiful butterfly
Your spirit will always be with us as it is manifested in your son
We love and miss you..

Congratulatory Messages

"Greatness is simply defined as the ability to believe in yourself and ignoring everyone who says you can't do it."

Congratulation to Wolmer's Alumni Association SF for helping students to achieve their goals of education, and continued success for the future - Antoinette Barnes Rhoden

""Education is not a preparation for life, education is life itself"

Congratulation to Wolmer's Alumni Association SF for helping the schools maintain their rich tradition
Christina Oninku

"Education and Knowledge is not sinuous with Wisdom and good decisions."

Congratulations to the Wolmer's Alumni Association SF for their outstanding achievements over the years!
David and Dawn Smith

"Believe in yourself! Have faith in your abilities! Without a humble but reasonable confidence in your own powers you cannot be successful or happy."–Norman Vincent Peale

Congratulations to the Wolmer's Alumni Association for resilience
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"Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it

Congratulations to the Wolmer's Alumni Association SF for your supportive role
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"Education is the anchor that holds life together through choppy waters."

Congratulation to Wolmer's Alumni Association SF for helping students accomplish their goals
Lornette Patrick

"The tragedy in life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach."–Benjamin Mays

Congratulations to Wolmer's Alumni Association SF schools for opening the doors of opportunity and advancement for thousands of young people. Richard G. Williams

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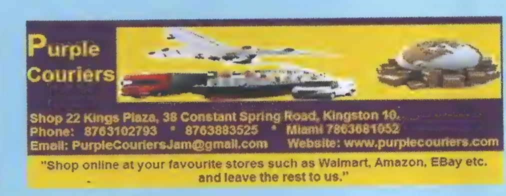
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